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NOTICE

This is a notice regarding your request for acceptance of a fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28.

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Your fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28 is hereby **ACCEPTED**.

This application is no longer entitled to small entity status. Accordingly, all future fees paid in this application must be paid at the large entity rate.

Receipt is acknowledged of the Change of Address filed with the instant petition.

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